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Artistic Fabric & Garment Industries, leading suppliers

Artistic Fabric Mills (AFM) and Artistic Garment Industries (AGI) merged to form a single company in July 2015 and are now one of the leading suppliers of premium denim fabrics and garments in the world.

With a large-scale, fully vertical denim operation based in Karachi, Pakistan, the company produces some of the most innovative products for top denim brands globally. AFM and AGI are market leaders and offer a superior, full-package solution for buyers, from spinning to high-quality garments in their stores. About 50% of the fabric output is used in-house and the rest exported to international markets. The Artistic Fabric & Garment Industries customer portfolio includes leading High Street fashion brands such as H&M, Gap, Zara (and other divisions of Inditex), VF Corp and Esprit, among others.

The Spinning division produces 55 million pounds of yarn per year in three production units with a total of 75,000 spindles. The Fabric mill, equipped with some of the best technology in rope dyeing, weaving, and finishing machinery, produces 50 million meters of denim fabric per year. Artistic Fabric Mills weaves on 30 Picanol OMNIplus Summum, 60 OMNIplus 800

and 170 OptiMax machines, with further investments in both airjet and rapier technology currently being under consideration. On the airjet looms speeds of over 1000 RPM are reached with close to 100% efficiency. The OptiMax is ideally suited to weaving novelty (hyper-stretch) yarns and unique constructions. The Fabric mill also has a finishing capacity of 150,000 meters per day.

The Garment division with its high-tech machinery and state-of-the-art laundry has a capacity of 24 million garments per annum, which are all exported to foreign markets. Exports are equally spread over Europe and the United States. As a group Artistic Fabric & Garment Industries has 22,000 employees spread across its three mills and 13 garment units. The company has recently made significant investments in sustainability initiatives and is currently converting many of its garment units to eco-friendly plants.

All the equipment used by Artistic is of European origin in order to guarantee the highest quality standards, and Picanol is proud to be the sole provider for its weaving machines for the last five years, after AFM switched from projectile to rapier and airjet technology.



Left, Mr. Iqbal Ahmed (Chairman), accompanied by his nephew Mr. Hasan Javed (Director)